# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
# LOK SABHA

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Harnessing of Solar and Wind Energy Sources
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**Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps/proposes to take steps to encourage people in rural areas of the country to harness solar and wind energy sources at a small scale to meet their energy requirements;
(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
(c) whether the Government provides/proposes to provide financial support to the State Governments to develop alternate energy sources like bio-gas generation from farm and other organic waste in the rural areas; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) is promoting Off-Grid/ Distributed and Decentralized Renewable Power programme to encourage the people of the country including rural areas to harness solar and wind energy sources at a small scale to meet their energy requirements. The details of the schemes / programmes being implemented by MNRE are given in Annexure.

(c) & (d): Yes madam. MNRE provides financial support for setting up of Biogas power plants in the country including rural areas under Off-Grid/ Distributed and Decentralized Renewable Power programme based on animal / food/ agricultural waste from farms, gaushalas etc. in the range of 3KWp to 250 KWp.

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